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Field Crops

Cotton harvesting is 40 percent complete, the same as last year but below the 5-year average of 46. Some rooding is occurring along the Colorado River. The condition of the cotton crop varies from fair to excellent. Alfalfa condition is mostly fair to good. Harvesting is active on over two-thirds of the acreage across the State.

Arizona Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

This week Arizona growers shipped cantaloupes, honeydews and lemons.

Range and Pasture

Rangeland conditions vary from very poor to good, depending on location. Precipitation helped maintain some soil moisture in parts of the State. Above normal temperatures have helped sustain forage availability.

Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	<i>- Percent -</i>				
Alfalfa	-	6	26	49	19
Range and Pasture	27	23	28	18	4
Cotton	-	2	23	47	28

Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.
	<i>- Percent -</i>			
Cotton				
• Harvested	40	38	40	46

Weather Summary

Temperatures were mostly above normal for the week ending October 30th, ranging from 3 degrees below normal at Parker to 8 degrees above normal at Douglas and Prescott. The highest temperature of the week was 99 degrees at Yuma. The lowest reading was 20 degrees at Grand Canyon. Precipitation was recorded in 10 of the 22 weather stations this week. The least

precipitation was recorded in Prescott with 0.03 inches and the most precipitation was recorded in Canyon De Chelly with 0.89 inches. Roll is the only weather station that has above normal precipitation for the year. Only 6 of the weather stations have received precipitation to date above 80 percent of normal.

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Temperature and Precipitation Data								
October 24, 2011 - October 30, 2011								
Station	Temperature				Precipitation			
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Aguila	66	3	89	45	0.00	3.49	-4.50	44
Buckeye	70	3	90	48	0.22	2.78	-3.20	46
Canyon De Chelly	47	-2	74	26	0.89	5.66	-2.35	71
Coolidge	67	2	92	37	0.00	2.49	-3.42	42
Douglas	66	8	90	39	0.00	5.48	-6.28	47
Flagstaff	47	4	70	25	0.37	16.75	-1.64	91
Grand Canyon	44	5	73	20	0.20	11.65	-4.96	70
Kingman	61	3	86	37	0.00	7.15	-0.85	89
Marana	70	5	91	47	0.00	3.35	-5.41	38
Maricopa	69	4	93	44	0.00	1.71	-3.91	30
Paloma	69	2	93	42	0.00	3.53	-1.39	72
Parker	66	-3	92	40	0.00	2.22	-0.91	71
Payson	57	4	81	34	0.46	12.08	-5.83	67
Phoenix	76	7	97	58	0.05	2.75	-3.23	46
Prescott	58	8	81	31	0.03	7.69	-8.73	47
Roll	70	2	94	44	0.00	3.06	0.58	123
Safford	64	5	89	42	0.00	3.85	-4.29	47
St. Johns	54	4	80	30	0.05	6.99	-2.93	70
Tucson	71	6	93	49	0.00	9.98	-0.26	97
Willcox	60	4	89	34	0.05	9.65	-1.34	88
Winslow	55	4	83	32	0.51	5.51	-1.28	81
Yuma	76	5	99	57	0.00	1.42	-1.06	57
1/ Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that week.								

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